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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities

Two Gateway Center

Newark, NJ 07102

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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

JOHN BURBRIDGE,
Petitioner,

v.

JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,
Respondent.

) ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION
) SETTLEMENT
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BPU DOCKET NO. EC08090831U
OAL DOCKET NO. PUC 13799-08

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On September 25, 2008, John Burbridge ("Petitioner") filed a petition with the Board related to alleged unreliable electric service provided by Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("Respondent").

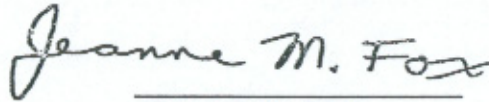
After the filing of Respondent's answer, the Board transmitted this matter to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") for hearing and initial disposition as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq. This matter was assigned to Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Irene Jones.

While this matter was pending at the OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and entered into and signed a Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal with Prejudice ("Stipulation") that was submitted to the ALJ. By Initial Decision issued on April 30, 2009, and submitted to the Board on May 4, 2009, to which the Stipulation was attached and made part thereof, ALJ Jones found that the Stipulation was voluntary, that its terms fully disposed of all issues in controversy, and that it satisfied the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1. In the Stipulation, the parties have agreed that "...this action, and all claims stated therein, be, and hereby are, settled and dismissed with prejudice...."

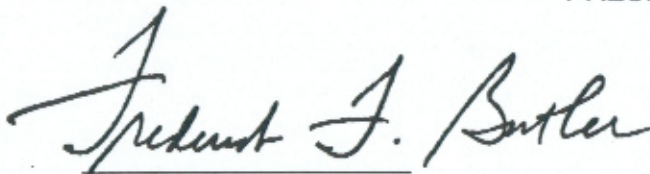
After review of the Initial Decision and the Stipulation of the parties, the Board HEREBY FINDS that, by the terms of the Stipulation, the parties have resolved all outstanding contested issues in this matter. Accordingly, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and the Stipulation executed by the parties in their entirety as if fully set forth herein.

DATED: 6/10/09

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
BY:



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PRESIDENT



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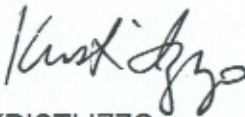


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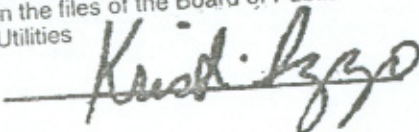
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ATTEST:



KRISTI IZZO
SECRETARY

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INITIAL DECISION

SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 13799-08

AGENCY DKT. NO. EC0809083IU

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v.

**JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT
COMPANY,**

Respondent.

John Burbridge, petitioner, pro se

Michael J. Connolly, Esq., for respondent Jersey Central Power and Light
Company (Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP, attorneys)

Kerri Kirschbaum, DAG, for Board of Public Utilities (Anne Milgram,
Attorney General of New Jersey, attorney)

Record Closed: March 23, 2009

Decided: April 30, 2009

BEFORE IRENE JONES, ALJ:

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

On December 4, 2008, this matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for hearing as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 to -15 and N.J.S.A. 52:14F1 to -13.

A hearing date was scheduled for March 18, 2009 but adjourned because the parties agreed to settle the matter. The Stipulation of Settlement and Dismissal with Prejudice indicating the terms of settlement was signed by the parties and is attached hereto.

After reviewing the record and the settlement, I **FIND**:

1. The parties have voluntarily agreed to the settlement as evidenced by the signatures or the signatures of the representatives.
2. The settlement fully disposes of all issues in controversy and is consistent with the law and is in the public interest.

Therefore, I **CONCLUDE** that this agreement meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1(d) and should be approved. It is further **ORDERED** that the parties comply with the settlement terms and the proceedings be **CONCLUDED**.

I hereby **FILE** my initial decision with the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** for consideration.

This recommended decision may be adopted, modified or rejected by the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**, which by law is authorized to make a final decision in this matter. If the Board of Public Utilities does not adopt, modify or reject this decision within forty-five (45) days and unless such time limit is otherwise extended, this recommended decision shall become a final decision in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10.

DATE

4/30/09

IRENE JONES, ALJ



Date Received at Agency:

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Billing Dispute

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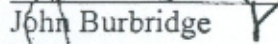
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STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT
AND DISMISSAL WITH
PREJUDICE

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned,
that this action, and all claims stated therein, be, and hereby are, settled and dismissed with
prejudice and without any further costs to any party.


John Burbridge,
Petitioner

By:


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Long Valley, New Jersey 07853

Jersey Central Power & Light Company,
Respondent

By:


Michael J. Connolly, Esq.
Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP
Attorneys for Jersey Central Power
& Light Company

Dated: March 15, 2009

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Manager of Organizational Development

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